

## TO SAVE CYCLISTS AND THEIR WHEELS.

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from the Boulevard.**

**Proposed Ordinance Introduced  
Restricting the Use of That  
Splendid Thoroughfare.**

**Light Vehicles and Bicycles Only to  
Be Allowed on the  
Roadway.**

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Whereas, The heavy traffic up and down the Boulevard on the west side of the city is a source of annoyance to the residents of that thoroughfare and dangerous to drivers of light wagons and riders of bicycles;

Whereas, It is known that drivers of heavy vehicles take pleasure in running into bicycle riders, with the object of annoying them, and frequently causing serious accidents;

Whereas, The public and the press of the city demand the restriction of some thoroughfare on the west side of the city to the use of drivers of light wagons and bicycles;

Resolved—Section I.—That on and after October 1, 1896, all trucks, express wagons, vans and business vehicles shall be excluded from the Western Boulevard north of Fifty-fifth street to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, save and except for the space of one block, under a penalty of \$5 for each offence. Section II.—All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance be hereby repealed.

Protests of cyclists against being crowded to the curb on the Boulevard by heavy trucks have reached the ears of the Aldermen, who yesterday received for consideration a proposed ordinance, introduced by Alderman Robinson, restricting the popular pleasure thoroughfare to light vehicles and bicycles.

Alderman Robinson said truck drivers

often deliberately try to run down bicycle riders. The matter was referred to the Committee on Streets, which will give cyclists and truck drivers a public hearing. "Ninety per cent of the accidents to wheelmen on the Boulevard are not accidents at all," Alderman Robinson said, "but the deliberate result of drivers attempting to break the wheels of riders. I will not accuse them of attempting to injure cyclists, but some truck drivers appear to take delight in wrecking a bicycle."

"Before bicycle riding was so general the objection would have been made to the ordinance that it was for the benefit of a favorite few. Now, however, bicycling is so universal that those who think wheels are the representative class, and certainly one street in this big city can be given to them for safe recreation."

"Since the Journal secured the better lighting of the Boulevard it is the best cycling thoroughfare, night and day, there is in the city, and I think that the other Aldermen will look at the matter in the same way."

C. A. Underhill, New York Consul of the League of American Wheelmen, said nothing would please bicycle riders better than to have the Boulevard restricted to the use of bicycles and light vehicles.

"Not only is the comfort of bicyclists now greatly interfered with," he added, "by heavy teams, which in many cases are driven by men who look upon the bicyclists as personal enemies who should be subjected to the most possible inconvenience on every possible occasion, but the drivers sometimes make special efforts to wreck wheels."

Alderman Robinson last night said: "There are two good reasons for the passage of this ordinance. The Boulevard is crowded with riders, and a light buggy has a spirited horse to a light buggy has his hands full in dodging the wheels without

being in constant fear of a wreck by encounter with the heavy truck. It is the latter who really create the danger. Furthermore, there is ample room on both the adjoining avenues for the truckmen, and it is a well established fact that heavy trucking is much easier on cobblestones, where the wheels go rolling from one small surface to another, than on level asphalt, where the drag is continuous on a smooth surface."

pull him on board, and that he was towed astern of the ferryboat until he reached shallow water, off Blackwell's Island, when he swam ashore. He did not reach home yesterday. He misses Captain Collins, of the ferryboat, for the accident.

**Wheemen Chase an Incendary.**

The bicycle came into good, but unsuccessful service yesterday morning at Belmont, N. J., when three young men gave chase to a colored man who set fire to the heading of M. E. Church. They had turned out with other citizens to put out the fire and saw the colored man hiding near by. They chased him to a clump of woods, in which he escaped. The church was destroyed.

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## FALSE CHARGE OF FRAUD.

An Arkansas Democrat Shows the Falsity of Accusations Made by Chairman Cooper.

B. F. Flanders, County and Probate Clerk of Jefferson County, Ark., who is at the Kensington Hotel, Fifth avenue and Fifteenth street, is indignant because of the charges made by Henry M. Cooper, chairman of the Arkansas Republican State Committee, that the State was carried by the Democracy by fraud.

Mr. Cooper sent out a statement saying that the tremendous majority rolled up for D. W. Jones, the free silver candidate for Governor, was the result of a successful effort of the Democratic campaign managers to shut out Republican Judges of Election in counties.

He declared that in twenty Republican counties three Democrats and not one Republican was selected to act as judges, and that many Republicans, fearing that their votes would be recorded for the opposition, remained away from the polls.

Mr. Flanders said this was absolutely false. He showed a copy of the Pine Bluff Daily Graphic of September 3, in which a list of the judges in twenty-five districts was published. The Republicans in every county had equal representation with the Democrats.

"Chairman Cooper," said Mr. Flanders, "knew his ticket was to be hopelessly beaten, and in order to lessen the blotting of a crushing defeat, sent to General Powell Clayton, in advance of the election, a telegram of alarm. Cooper knows he tells an untruth when he says the Republicans were shut out in a single district. I know every man personally whose name is on the list I have shown you."

"The cry of fraud from Arkansas is stereotyped. There is no more chance for crooked work at the polls in Arkansas than under the Australian ballot than there is in New York or Illinois."

"The telegram from Carl Stubbeldick, Republican Commissioner of Elections in my county, published in the Herald yesterday, saying that his party had no representation whatever in any of the voting precincts of Jefferson County, contains not a grain of truth. They were represented in every one of them. The trouble is, the gold standard men don't like the shadow of coming events."

## FREE SILVER DEFENDED.

General Warner, President of the Bimetallic League of the United States, Speaks in New Haven.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 8.—Hyperion Theatre was crowded to-night at the Bryan and Sewall political rally. General Warner, president of the Bimetallic League of the United States, was the speaker. He argued that it is erroneous to assume that gold, unlike anything else in the universe, possesses value that is intrinsic and invariable; that the value of silver is determined wholly by its uses other than as money, and that its use as money by seventy millions of people will not change its value.

Too many political economists, he said, teach just what they are hired to teach. The demand of the world for gold has greatly increased its value. Products of all kinds have gone down, while the price of money has gone up. One of the most important needs to-day is to maintain the greatest possible stability between the products on one side and money on the other. No agency ever existed that has been so ruinous to prosperity as a money standard that is ever increasing its value. It has done more injustice to humanity than all things else put together.

The speaker pronounced the denunciation of silver in 1876 as "an underhand piece of legalised theft, participated in by an international syndicate and backed by a few scoundrels. It was not the deliberate act of the American people and they are lying lips that so proclaim it. Its motive was private gain, the same as inspires the midnight thief."

## WHY THEY FAVOR BRYAN.

Association of Workmen Issues Its Platform Telling to What His Election Will Tend.

The Independent Bryan League, composed principally of workmen, has issued its platform. The League was formed by prominent members of the Social Reform Club, with which the majority of the delegates of the Central Labor Union are connected. It will in a short time call a general mass-meeting of workmen in Cooper Union to further the cause of Bryan.

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